House Committee on Great Lakes and Environment Attn: Cath Petroskey, Committee Clerk

As I cannot attend the hearing on April 30<sup>th</sup> I am writing this letter to plead with you to please pass the Recreation Passport! The state parks are so important to Michigan and it's residents. We use our park pass all year long and visit Maybury State Park, Island Lake State Park, Dodge Park, Bald Mountain State Park, and Holly Recreation Area, as well as state parks up north to vacation. Our family enjoys taking walks, playing on the playgrounds, swimming, fishing, and camping at Michigan parks. It is a HUGE part of how we spend our summers. A fun day for us is to find a state park we've never visited before and explore it for the day. Last year for Father's day we drove to Holly Recreation area for the first time to fish and swim. With the state the economy is in, visiting state parks and day trips to various ones throughout the state are something our family can afford. If the passport passes we will be able to visit the parks even more!

Again, I URGE you to please, please pass the Recreation Passport! A lot of our friends and family would love to see it pass as well.

Thank you, Janna Bissett Clawson, MI